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ARE GRAPPLING WITH THE LABOR PROBLEM

Government Co-operating With Agent-General in London in Endeavor to Induce Immigration of English Farmers.

THE situation with regard to labor in British Columbia is receiving the close attention of Finance Minister Tatlow and other members of the provincial government. Not only has the former commissioned R. M. Palmer, who is in charge of an exhibit of fruit from this province to investigate the possibility of bringing through the instrumentality of the Salvation Army, but he has written the agent-general of British Columbia in London, Hon. J. H. Turner, to look into the matter. Hon. Mr. Tatlow wrote the latter official some time ago, and has received a reply which contains gratifying information to all those anxious that an early and satisfactory solution of the problem should be reached.

Mr. Turner says there is no doubt that many of the desired class can be induced to go to British Columbia. The English laborers, he says, have had their attention directed towards the Canadian West as a result of the splendid displays of fruit which have been shown at the Royal Horticultural Association's exhibition. Formerly their whole thought was of the territories. They had heard of the immense wheat crops of the prairie provinces, of the fortunes that could be made by engaging in agricultural pursuits in that section, but they knew nothing of the splendid opening for those desiring to enter into the culture of fruit in British Columbia. Now they are beginning to realize this, and Mr. Turner is receiving more and more inquiries regarding the Pacific Coast. In accordance with the wish of the Minister of Agriculture, he had made a thorough investigation into the matter and felt confident that large numbers could be induced to come to this province providing arrangements could be made for cheaper rates.

Arranging Transportation

It was pointed out that the C. P. R. offered special inducements for immigrants from the Old Country to the Northwest. If the same could be made to apply to British Columbia, he had no hesitation in saying that many would continue right through.

Mr. Turner, however, proffered a suggestion which he thought was worthy of consideration. It was that negotiations be entered into with the Blue Funnel Line with the object of procuring a reduction in fares for the trip from England to Victoria or Vancouver by water. Hon. Mr. Tatlow

appears to think that this is well worth taking up, although of course he cannot say that it will be adopted until the question is gone into more thoroughly. He explains that it would have one decided advantage. At the present time the laborers, who do not set out any too well provided with the needful, have to pay for their board from the time they land at Quebec or Montreal until they arrive at their destination. By coming to an understanding with the Blue Funnel Company they might be brought direct to this province in large numbers. The latter would be far more likely to leave their home land knowing that the flat rate paid for their ticket at the outset would carry them through until they reached the goal at which they aimed. In this way their desires would be met and also they would be sure to come to British Columbia, where their services were needed.

At Work on Details

Whether or not the agent-general's proposed materializes, there is no the slightest doubt that an important announcement of the government's policy with respect to the labor question may be expected in a short time. It was reported yesterday that Hon. Mr. Tatlow had the matter before him again and that he had decided upon a certain course. A Colonist representative interviewed the minister and was informed that as yet there had been nothing definite done. It was not denied, however, that the subject was under discussion and that some action might be expected in the near future. In all probability Hon. Mr. Tatlow will wait for Mr. Palmer's report before taking up his scheme for overcoming the acknowledged dearth of labor in British Columbia.

In his speech at Duncan on Saturday evening, the Minister of Agriculture referred to the question of immigration, stating that the government realized the seriousness of the situation, and assuring those present that action was being taken which might be expected to bring about a satisfactory solution of the difficulty. In view of this promise and the negotiations that have been opened by both the agent-general and R. M. Palmer, it looks as though a heavy influx of desirable laborers may be looked forward to within the next few months. At any rate, the Minister of Agriculture and his colleagues are determined that the farmers shall not be again confronted with difficulty in securing necessary help during their busiest season.

DELEGATES CONTEND FOR MORE TERRITORY

Cases of Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan Heard at Ottawa

OTTAWA, Nov. 12.—(Special)—The boundary conference today did not last more than half an hour. It was held in Sir Wilfrid Laurier's office, and in addition to the first minister the Dominion government was represented by Aylesworth and Oliver. Ontario delegates were Premier Whitney, Messrs. Fox and Matheson; Manitoba, Premier Roblin, Attorney-General Campbell and Hon. Robert Rogers; Saskatchewan, Premier Scott and Attorney-General Lamont.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in opening the proceedings called upon Premier Roblin to first present the case of Manitoba. Mr. Roblin read and filed a letter of protest against being requested to confer with the representatives of Ontario and Saskatchewan as to Manitoba's claims. These claims, he said, had been submitted in the form of a written statement, to which he had nothing to add unless the representatives of the Dominion government desired further information or explanation. Manitoba, he declared, had no quarrel with Ontario or Saskatchewan. That province simply held that the matter was one entirely between itself and the parliament of Canada.

Premier Whitney, who followed, especially emphasized the point that Manitoba had always claimed an extension of territory northward and eastward. The latest proposition had only been brought forward when, by the creation of two new provinces last year, Manitoba was shut out from any extension westward. Mr. Whitney insisted that the natural boundary of the province of Ontario was Hudson Bay, including Fort Churchill. This was Ontario's hinterland, and it was almost entirely hers. In brief, Ontario's case was this: That the boundaries of Ontario should extend northward to

take in Churchill; the province does not care to discuss any question of boundaries of Saskatchewan; that the eastern boundary of Ontario should be continued northward to take in Churchill River, that the middle of the channel of the said river should then become the boundary till the river debouches into Hudson Bay; that the remainder of the territory east of such boundary line be allotted to Ontario.

He said the Ontario government was unable to understand Manitoba's claim that the boundary of the province of Ontario had been permanently and irrevocably fixed and settled so that the province could not receive an addition to its territory from the Dominion.

Premier Walter Scott of Saskatchewan advanced the somewhat novel proposition that the whole of the district of Keewatin lying north of the Nelson River should be given to that province. This would give Saskatchewan both Fort Nelson and Fort Churchill. It is questionable, however, whether such an extravagant demand will be entertained for a moment.

At the conclusion of the argument Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that the matter would be submitted to the members of the cabinet, who in turn would present their decision to parliament.

MOVEMENT TO BREAK STANDARD OIL TRUST

U. S. Government May Ask Court
for Order to Dissolve
Company

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—While no authoritative statement could be obtained in regard to the matter, there is good reason to believe that the government has decided to institute proceedings against the Standard Oil Company under the Sherman Anti-Trust Act, with a view of obtaining an order of the court dissolving the company as it now exists and reverting to each of the 75 or 80 constituent companies a proportionate share of stock, and also compelling the observance of the law prohibiting them from entering into any contract, agreement or understanding with each other with a view to maintaining prices in oil.

NINTH BANK FOR REGINA.

Regina, Sask., Nov. 12.—The Bank of Nova Scotia has secured offices and will open here Dec. 1. This makes the ninth chartered bank doing business in Regina. The Traders and Dominion banks have also located here this year.

EX-BANKER SENTENCED.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 12.—Judge Adams in the United States circuit court of appeals today handed down a decision committing Thomas B. Clement to the penitentiary at Stillwater for eight years. Clement was convicted of responsibility for the failure of the First National bank at Faribault, Minn.

MAKE PRITCHARD LOOK SMALL AT THE ENQUIRY

Premier Roblin and Attorney-General Campbell, of Manitoba Testify

LIFE MANAGERS HAVE INNINGS

Advocate Publicity of Essential Facts
Rather Than Restrictive or
Prohibitory Measures

OTTAWA, Nov. 12.—(Special)—Mr.

Pritchard of Winnipeg, the star witness whom Shepley had before the Insurance Commission the other day, was a very faint luminary when Premier Roblin and Attorney-General Campbell got through with him today. Pritchard had seemingly a grievance against the Manitoba government, which he ventilated last week, but without much effect. Premier Roblin fully explained all he knew about the sale of his Slocan River lands to the Union Trust company through Pritchard. He declared positively he never knew Hon. George E. Foster in connection with the transaction until the transfer had actually been made, and that the price at which he offered them was the same price to any person who came along. When Pritchard told him he had not received any commission from the sale, he gave him \$500 out of his own pocket. Pritchard told him that there had been a commission of 25 cents per acre on the transaction, but where the 25 cents went to Roblin had not the faintest idea. Roblin's explanation of the reason why Pritchard came to leave the service of the Manitoba government was quite different from that gentleman's own version.

Hon. Colin Campbell's narrative of the sale of lands of the Ontario, Manitoba & Western Land company to the Union Trust company also varied widely from Pritchard's. He declared that Pritchard had never given him \$1,000 as part of a commission on the sale, but that such an amount had been paid to him for professional services. Asked by Tilley what these were, Campbell promptly replied that he would be glad to answer if the commissioners thought the question pertinent. The commissioners looked at Tilley, the latter whispered to Shepley, and then Tilley decided not to press for an answer; whereat Campbell smiled a broad smile.

The Life Insurance Managers' association had its innings when a lengthy memorial was presented. It was suggested that legislation to secure adequate publicity of the essential facts in the conduct of each company's business would prove more beneficial than legislation of a restrictive or prohibitory character. That each company shall on every policy issued by it on and after Jan. 1, 1907, state the non-forfeiture and surrender regulations, if any, in respect to such policy; that from the date on which the proposed amendment to the act comes in force, the powers of investment shall be confined to certain specified securities; that such legislation be enacted as will effectively prohibit the granting or accepting of rebate of a life insurance premium; that the expenses of life insurance companies are materially increased by provincial and municipal licenses and taxes of premiums and interest, which expense is necessarily borne by the policy holders, and is decidedly objectionable as being a serious addition to the cost of life insurance, and that the Royal Commission be specifically requested to consider and, if possible, suggest a measure of relief.

DUMONT SAILS IN AIR 15 FEET FROM GROUND

Skims Along at Rate of 30 Miles
per Hour Just Above
Peoples' Heads

PARIS, Nov. 12.—Santos Dumont made another series of experiments with his aeroplane in the Bois de Boulogne today. He made two flights of between five and six seconds, covering between fifty and sixty metres with better success, and was only prevented by the immense crowds which surged on the field from accomplishing a sensational flight. He skinned along at a height of fifteen feet and at a speed of thirty miles an hour for a distance of 215 metres, when, fearing that his whirling propeller would strike the cheering people, he decided to descend. The next trial will take place at the Long Champs race course, from which the crowd can be excluded.

The principal change in the aeroplane today was that the side runner reins were attached to the shoulders of M. Mautos Dumont, who operated them with instinctive movements of the body. He was completely successful in preventing the rolling motion of the machine.

WAREHOUSES WRECKED.

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 12.—The warehouses of the American Snuff company at Eddyville and Fredonia, Ky., were wrecked by dynamite last night. Blasts followed the trail of the wreckers for ten miles into Caldwell county. Several months ago the warehouses of the company in the southern part of Kentucky were dynamited, and growers who sold tobacco to the alleged trust received a warning message from the "Night Raiders."

KILLED IN FOUNDRY.

Youngstown, Ohio, Nov. 12.—One man was killed, three others fatally and two seriously injured in the explosion of a casting of the Youngstown Foundry and Machine Company's plant.

FORTY-SEVEN LIVES LOST IN COLLISION

Immigrant Train on Baltimore & Ohio is Smashed to Splinters, and Many Victims of Wreck Are Burned to Death.

CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—More than one-half the passengers on an immigrant train on the Baltimore & Ohio road were killed today in a collision between a passenger and a freight train near Woodville, Ind. One hundred and sixty-five passengers were on the train.

Forty-seven either were killed outright or burned to death in a fire that broke out in the wreckage immediately after the collision. The names of all the dead probably will never be known, as forty-five of the bodies were consumed in the flames, or were so badly burned that identification will be out of the question.

Thirty-eight persons were injured and several of these will die. Eighty others escaped unharmed, but lost nearly all their baggage and clothing.

The disaster was caused by a blunder of a railroad employee. The passenger train, which was loaded with Russian Jews, Servians and Poles, all of whom recent arrivals in America, and bound for Chicago or places northwest, was the second section of a through train from Baltimore. The engineer of the freight train, on instructions received at McCool, Int., waited at a siding at Babcock, Int., to allow the immigrant train to pass. One report is that the engineer of the freight train had not been informed that the passenger train was running in two sections. The other is that the first section of the passenger train carried no lights or signals of any kind indicating that a second section was close behind. As soon as the first section of the immigrant train had passed the switch at Babcock, the train started eastward. A light snow was falling, which increased the darkness of the early morning, and as the west was rounding a sharp curve just west of Woodville, the second section of the immigrant train came in sight a short distance away, traveling toward Chicago at a rate of forty miles an hour.

The two trains came together with unslackened speed, and in the crash six passenger coaches and several freight cars were knocked into kindling wood, and together with the locomotives went rolling down the ten-foot embankment. Fire broke out immediately in the wreckage, and although a number of the injured were saved by the desperate efforts of the train crew and surviving passengers, the greater part of those who were pinned down in the debris were burned to death. The flames spread through the wreckage so rapidly that it was impossible to save a number of persons, who were only slightly hurt, but held fast by the timbers that weighed them down. These were burned in

MINERS' STRIKE AT FERNIE IS SETTLED

Through Good Offices of Provincial Government Agreement Is Finally Reached and Men Return to Work Today.

AN early hour this morning Hon. F. J. Fulton, attorney general received the gratifying news, contained in a message from Superintendent of Provincial Police F. S. Hussey, who is at Fernie, that the long-contested strike of the coal miners employed in the Crow's Nest Pass mines had been settled. The men will all return to work this morning. The people of Fernie were reported to be highly elated at the happy solution of the difficulty, the settlement being attributed in no small measure to the good offices of the provincial government.

Previous to the government taking the initiative in attempting to bring about harmonious relations between the contending parties, the situation appeared hopeless, as repeated conferences only resulted in an apparent widening of the breach. So serious was the situation, however, in respect to the possibility of a fuel famine throughout the province, with the consequent shutting down of many industries, that Premier McBride and his colleagues determined to make a final effort to bring about a settlement; and the success which has crowned this effort will be hailed with great satisfaction everywhere throughout the province

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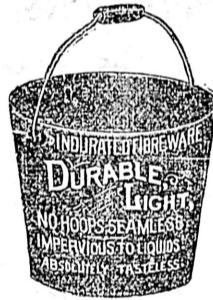
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GRAND PICNIC BILL OF FARE

North Bruce and Shelburne Bye-
Elections No Surprise—More
About London Scandals

Ottawa, Nov. 3.—During last session when the House of Commons was discussing the marine and fishery scandals, Mr. Foster brought up the case of the fishery protection boat Kestrel. This little craft of three hundred tons cruises the Pacific coast, with a complement of 22 officers and men. She was in commission ten months during the fiscal year 1905. It will cause some amazement to shipping people to know that the country paid \$7,500 to provision the party for that time. The figures work out to more than \$34 a month for each person on board the ship. This is a pretty heavy bill on raw material, for it must be remembered that \$34 was not the price of board and lodging in a hotel, but the cost of uncooked provisions taken on board a boat which was provided with cooks and stewards.

A Picnic Bill of Fare

The items cannot all be given here but they are quite interesting. For instance the fruit bill was \$4.00 for the season of each man on the ship. As the canned peaches and pears were bought by the case it would appear that the Kestrel's crew was served with about one can a day per man. The bill for eggs is also little extraordinary. From one dealer there was bought \$9.00 worth for each of the crew. Another supplied \$1.50 worth, another \$3.00, another one \$1.50 and a fourth \$1.00. There were other purchases amounting to seven or eight dozen eggs per man. The bills indicate that each member of the crew got away with \$20.00 worth of eggs during the season. There was similarly large consumption of honey, oysters, cream, poultry, asparagus, creamy butter, sauces, and other good things. The provision bill exceeded the wages bill, which fact might justify the statement that the men ate more than they were worth, if it were supposed that these goods were really bought and used for the purpose charged. But no reasonable person believes that the crew of the Kestrel were fed in that way and at that cost.

Defended the Outlay

In parliament the minister seemed to make light of the whole matter. The Liberal member for Vancouver solemnly declared that there was nothing wrong and that the cost of provisioning the ship was quite reasonable. But another session is approaching with further investigations in view and the minister of marine has found it necessary to take some action. Now the official report is given out that Mr. Borden has held an investigation and that the captain of the Kestrel has been suspended.

But the Bills Passed

If this is so, it is all on account of the disclosure made by Mr. Foster. The bills came to the department months before Mr. Foster saw them. Departmental officers say nothing the matter or if they did, they did not venture to tell the minister so. The minister himself was satisfied and the bills were audited and paid just as many other bills for the two or three times the value of the goods have been regularly passed and paid by the department of marine and other departments.

Shady Land Deals

Notwithstanding the exposures made last session of the various land deals whereby friends of the government were enabled to acquire Crown lands at \$1.00 an acre and sell them immediately or \$8.00 to \$12.00, thus obtaining gifts of millions of dollars, and in spite of the pledges made in the session of 1905 and 1906 that there would be no more grants of land to speculators, the business is going on worse than ever. At the very moment when the present minister of the interior was pleading that he was not responsible for grazing leases which had created such a scandal, he was secretly carrying out another deal with the same party friends, who were clearing a third of a million out of the Grand Forks concession. The facts regarding this last transaction have come to light through the issue of a prospectus in London setting forth in detail the splendid

bargain which the political speculators have made with the government.

Great Gifts

The Grand Forks grant was one of several grazing leases granted in 1905 and 1906. Formerly all these ranch leases, which are always given at a low rental, were made revocable on two years notice. That was to enable settlers to purchase and occupy the land for farms. Mr. Sifton, toward the close of his administration, changed the system, and made the leases good for 21 years without power of cancellation by the government. One such irrevocable grant was given before 1905. It went to A. T. Mackie, whose father formerly was a Liberal member of parliament. In 1905 and 1906 leases were given in rapid succession to eight grantees, five of whom got over 200,000 acres of land within two weeks. All of the grantees seem to have been either Liberal party managers or members of parliament or speculators closely connected with politicians. They got nearly 400,000 acres.

The Gate Was Shut

The moment these friends of the government got their leases Mr. Oliver, then minister of the interior, changed the system and made all subsequent leases again subject to cancellation. The gate had been open but a short time, but it was long enough to enable the favorite speculators, most of whom are not cattle ranchers at all, to get their grants on special terms. It was a great advantage to them after that to have the gate shut, establishing a monopoly for themselves. It should be further stated that while the gate was open a special condition of the leases permitted the holder to acquire a freehold of one-tenth of his holding at \$1.00 an acre. After the favorites had been provided for the price was raised to \$3.00 an acre.

They Got Rich Quick

Among the happy grantees of irrevocable leases was the Grand Forks Cattle company, which held two grants amounting to 36,482 acres, taken in the name of S. Hitecock and James D. MacGregor, the latter a well known party manager in Brandon, whom Mr. Sifton appointed for time to an office in the Yukon. This company under its freehold privilege secured the absolute ownership of 9,452 acres at \$1.00 an acre, with the privilege of picking it out in small sections over ten times that area, thus obtaining land which could undoubtedly be sold for \$10.00 or \$12.00 an acre the day the company got it.

\$350,000 For the Favorites

To finish up with the Grand Forks Cattle company it was stated in the House on strong evidence that Mr. Sifton had acquired an interest in the corporation. Mr. Sifton, himself, contradicted this statement but he did not say that he had no intention of becoming an owner. Whoever the owners were, during the few months that they held the concessions they have made themselves rich. They got their grant in May, 1905, and sold out in September, 1906, at a profit of \$350,000.

The Latest Deal

Now for the later transaction. It appears that in June of this year, at the very time when the Grand Forks deal was under discussion, the government made a secret sale of 380,000 acres to the same group of favorites. This land is in Southern Alberta and is to be irrigated, though probably a large part of it is good without such treatment. The nominal price is \$3 an acre, but the purchasers agree to pay only \$1, and do not need to pay for four years. The other two dollars is charged to the purchasers, but will be returned as a bounty when they irrigate the land which they intend to do in order to make it salable at a proposed price of \$20 to \$23 an acre.

They Get \$500,000 and Pay Nothing

As a matter of fact the favorites have no intention of spending any money of their own. They made their contract with the government and then sold out to the claim for \$500,000 profit. The subsequent purchasers will pay for the land and the irrigation, and according to their prospectus they hope to make millions. But in the meantime the men on the ground floor, who required no capital but a pull with the government, have already gathered in their half a million. They are understood to be the same people who made \$350,000 by obtaining the Grand Forks grazing lease and then selling it out when it became a certainty so that their total gains in a year and a quarter are \$850,000.

More Ballot Switching Disclosures

The statement made on oath in the London election prosecutions by Pritchett have been corroborated by many witnesses. It is now fairly proved that the late Hon. Peter White was honestly elected in Brookville in 1889 and that the election was stolen from him by a switching of ballots. Readers will remember that this by-election and the one at West Huron, which took place at the same time, were under investigation by a committee of parliament. Mr. Borden and Mr. Powell were producing proof of frauds when Sir Wilfrid Laurier interposed and used his majority to break off the inquiry in the middle. The premier then proposed a judicial investigation, but that pledge went the way of all the rest of his pledges. Now for the first time the full facts are coming to light. Not only has Pritchett explained the process by which these seats and a dozen others were stolen, but various witnesses are stating on oath that they received bogus ballots from Pritchett. One deputy returning officer has testified that he received 20 trick ballots marked for the government candidate, which he agreed to put in the box, at the same time pocketing as many Conservative ballots tendered him by voters. This particular witness says he did not use the ballots, and therefore did not receive the \$100 retainer and \$5 per switched ballot which the government operators agreed to pay him. He was informed, however, of other officers who carried out their agreement and received the money and at least one of these has made return on oath.

Another R. O. Confesses

Another witness who held a poll in London in the last provincial election confessed in court that after the poll was closed, he, with Mr. Serviss and Mr. Sifton, opened the ballot box and went through the contents in order to

ascertain whether the men whose votes had been bought had marked their ballots as agreed. They discovered that two men who had been bribed to vote for the Liberal candidate had not done so. As these voters had not been paid at the time the ballots were examined, their \$5 was refused them and the \$10 was given to Mr. Spence, the deputy returning officer, as a reward for opening the box. Mr. Serviss, mentioned in Mr. Spence's confession, is one of the persons accused of conspiring to steal the late election in London for Mr. Hyman, the present minister of public works. Mr. Sifton, a well known local character, is also accused, but he has escaped from the country.

North Bruce

The election of the government candidate in North Bruce and of Mr. Fielding in Shelburne and Queens is claimed in some quarters here as a vindication of Mr. Hyman and his organization. It is pointed out that Mr. Aylesworth, who had charge of the campaign in North Bruce, fiercely attacked the Conservatives for their conduct in prosecuting London offenders. But, after all, the government had no great victory in North Bruce. Mr. Tolmie, the government candidate, was elected in 1900 in West Bruce by a majority of 634. The same constituency gave 892 majority for Somerville Liberal, in 1882, and 1985 for Mr. Blake in 1887, following that with \$30 for Mr. Rowland in 1891. The greater part of the West Bruce majority was by the act of 1903 thrown into North Bruce, and Mr. Tolmie is simply receiving his old vote with the majority reduced. By the gerrymander of 1903 North Bruce was intended to be a Liberal hive. If it did not work that way in 1904 it was because Mr. Tolmie was not the Liberal candidate, wherefore he and his friends caused a split in the party.

Shelburne No Surprise

Of course, everyone expected the re-election of Mr. Fielding, though there is great admiration for the splendid fight which Dr. Weldon made against the sinister influences which have prevailed in Queens and Shelburne. It is a great thing for a man to go into a country where he is a stranger, refusing to use or allow to be used on his behalf any sort of influence that the statute law or moral law prohibits, and to obtain in a constituency where there is so much patronage and where so many public works have been provided or praised, so large a vote as was polled for Dr. Weldon. This is believed to be the beginning of a campaign which must win in the end.

FATAL GUN ACCIDENT.

Brandon, Man., Nov. 11.—A fatal gunning accident occurred here yesterday afternoon when Harold Gunn Langson, aged eleven years, was instantly killed by a companion's gun being discharged in his face.

TABLET RECOVERED.

New York, N. Y., Nov. 12.—The Bronze tablet which was stolen from the Slocum memorial monument, has been found in a Brooklyn junk shop, smashed to fragments by the thief, who sold it to the junk dealer for \$14. The tablet was valued at \$450. Seven men were arrested today on suspicion of having stolen it.

CONFIDENCE IN DR. CHASE.

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DISCORD IN ST. ANN'S.

Dr. Guerin Causes Much Uneasiness in the Liberal Camp.

Montreal, Nov. 11.—Dr. Guerin, who failed to carry the Liberal convention in St. Ann's division of Montreal and who claimed that the convention was "stolen" in behalf of successful candidate, has decided that he will run. The decision is naturally objected to, and leaders of the party are now endeavoring to get both J. C. Walsh and Dr. Guerin to retire and allow Charles E. Devlin to run. It is known that Sir Wilfrid Laurier is very anxious that Devlin should get a seat in parliament but it is not thought that he would stand much show of election in St. Ann's division, which has always demanded a resident Irishman. Gallery always had the support of several hundred employees of the city road department who reside in the division, but as he lost his place on the road committee and no longer possesses patronage he cannot swing this support even if he was desirous of doing so.

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MINISTERS ADDRESS MEETING AT DUNCANS

Extended Report of Speeches by Hon. Messrs. McBride and Tatlow

"BETTER TERMS" ARE DISCUSSED

Premier Outlines What Occurred at Ottawa Conference—Defence of Government's Record

Hon. R. G. Tatlow. (Cheers.)

At Duncans, on Saturday evening, Premier McBride and the minister of finance, Hon. R. G. Tatlow, held a very successful public meeting in order to explain "better terms" and other public issues. When W. H. Haywood took the chair, preparatory to introducing the two distinguished visitors, the exhibition hall was thronged. The crowd included not only residents of the little town, but people whose homes are located some distance away; in fact, all the smaller outside communities were represented. Among them were Maple Bay, Somenos, Satlam, Cowichan Station and Koksilah. While it was considered essentially a Conservative gathering, there were many bold pronounced Liberal views present, and it was noticed that the latter were as enthusiastic as the others in their appreciation of the points scored by the premier. The meeting was most successful, the premier's explanation of his stand at the provincial premier's conference in respect to "better terms" being endorsed with cheers.

The Chairman

Mr. Haywood, in a few remarks, stated that Premier McBride and Hon. Mr. Tatlow had come to give an account of their stewardship. Personally, he was satisfied that they had acted for the best throughout and he was sure the audience would hold the same opinion after they had heard them speak. (Applause.) Referring to Hon. Mr. Tatlow, he stated that if financial ability, energy and trustworthiness went to make a good minister he would have to be con-

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society had been won twice. In addition much advertisement had been achieved among the home seekers of the Old Country, classes had been reached which could not have been touched in any other way. Accounts of the agricultural possibilities of British Columbia had been printed in many prominent English papers. This year it was intended to make displays in both London and many of the neighboring centres. Such a policy, he thought, could be depended upon to create an interest which any amount of the finest literature would be unable to cause. The result already had been witnessed in the many tourists and bona fide settlers who had been induced to come to British Columbia. (Applause.) It also was having the effect of increasing the value of lands.

The Labor Problem

In regard to the question of immigration, Hon. Mr. Tatlow directed attention to the efforts being made to bring farm labor from the Old Country to British Columbia. Mr. Palmer of the department of agriculture, who was in London, had been directed to open negotiations with the Salvation Army with that end in view. He believed that the best possible assistance could be obtained from that organization. Through their connection with the classes wanted it would be possible to pick and choose those best adapted to the condition in the West. If the report of Mr. Palmer proved satisfactory, an endeavor would be made to persuade the C. P. R. to grant the same rate to immigrants bound to British Columbia as they allowed those starting out with the Northwest territories as their destination. If everything went as he hoped, the government would be able within the next few months to effect an improvement in the labor question—a problem, the solution of which meant much to the whole province.

The Railway "Gold Brick"

Within a few months at the outside, the finance minister said, the government would have to come before the voters once again. Before that time the platform from which he spoke would, no doubt, be occupied by other gentlemen who would ask for votes on account of the Liberal party. When that time came he wanted them to remember that, although the residents of British Columbia paid \$3 to the \$1 contributed by those of other provinces into the federal treasury, all those east of the Rockies were enjoying the fruits of the ten and a half million dollars that had been granted towards the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, while the West as yet had not derived any benefit. Construction work upon that line was in progress everywhere else but in this province. But British Columbia had been so far overlooked by the Ottawa authorities that it had been possible for representatives of the Grand Trunk Pacific to come to the coast and say "how much land are you willing to give us in order that construction work may commence in British Columbia?" The speaker asked those present always to bear that in mind. In conclusion he asked them to return a representative of the government at the next election. (Continued applause.)

The Premier

Premier McBride, upon rising, was forced to wait for the abatement of the cheering which greeted him, before opening his address. He expressed his appreciation at the splendid attendance and recalled an occasion, not long ago, when he had an opportunity to speak to the electorate of Cowichan upon public affairs. Then he had dwelt more with federal than provincial matters. While the result of the campaign had not been an endorsement of the candidate in whose interests he had spoken, yet he thought that, when the voters were called upon again, they would turn the tables. (Applause.)

"Better terms," he supposed, was the subject which most of those present desired to hear discussed. Since his return from Ottawa the Liberal press had been full of "stuff" on the question. At the outset he wished to say that all along it had been his desire to keep the matter above the plane of provincial interests to have its status as a national question of the first importance maintained. But his Liberal friends, anxious lest their leaders at Ottawa might be criticized, had tried frantically to keep the question as local as possible.

The Ottawa Conference

While attending the conference of the provincial premiers, he had gained an acknowledgement of the point that British Columbia possessed physical peculiarities which entitled it to special consideration. That was admitted and was on record. Then the question was not altogether one of "better terms," but what sum the federal authorities were willing to allow this province in excess of that granted others. His colleagues at the conference mentioned were willing to admit that the physical conditions aforementioned were permanent—that the mountains, the immense waterways, and other topographical features were permanent—and yet in the next breath they maintained that the subsidies to be granted in consequence must end in ten years. Who could consistently support such a proposal? He had never left the conference until the eleventh hour, despite the reports to the contrary. Had he not been for British Columbia, he contended, the conference would have concluded the day of its convening. All the business he found had been pretty well cut and dried.

Had a Hard Fight

He had had to fight, and fight hard indeed, before his brother premiers could be persuaded to realize the gravity of the situation in the West. After the meeting had lasted a week the stage had been reached where an offer of \$100,000 for ten years was made in full settlement of his claims. This had been followed by a resolution stating that the permanent peculiarities of British Columbia entitled her to "better terms."

When judgment was about to be given, and not till then, he had retired. He had remained, it might have been fairly said, that he had been willing to consent to the verdict of a majority vote. The only way in his mind to maintain the points gained and, at the same time, to take a firm stand for the rights of the province was to refuse to take any further part in the proceedings. Shortly after Hon. Mr. Fielding had approached him and offered \$40,000 for the next ten years and \$30,000 in perpetuity. As all present knew perfectly well the latter amount would not serve to build a "rabbit's trail" in British Columbia. (Laughter and applause.) He had been asked to submit an alternative proposition. He had done so, basing his calcu-

lations upon authoritative figures. He had asked for \$240,000 for the first year, increasing annually until a total of \$600,000 was reached. Then when the population had attained a total of 2,500,000 the sum of 25 cents per capita. This he had considered a fair basis for the assessment of British Columbia's claims. "But my friends from the other provinces," continued Premier McBride, "couldn't see any possibility of giving British Columbia anything like that and wouldn't entertain the matter."

Criticism of Liberals
Judging by the criticism which had been accorded him by the Liberals he thought he might fairly assume that if their provincial leader, J. A. Macdonald, M. P. P., had been sent to Ottawa he would have accepted the \$100,000 for ten years. (Laughter and applause.) If not he might have taken the \$40,000 and \$30,000 in perpetuity. Personally if he were sent to attend another conference he would deem it his duty to adopt the same attitude as before. (Applause.)

It had been stated that because he didn't scratch at the \$100,000, this province wouldn't get anything. That was nonsense. He believed in British fair play and, in his opinion, this province ultimately would receive the consideration which her rights demanded. The greatest anxiety had been apparent during the progress of the convention that unanimity should prevail. This aspect of the case was somewhat humorous when viewed from the standpoint he took. The others were all agreed because their requests were granted without opposition. For instance, Prince Edward Island received \$10,000 in addition to the usual subsidy. That province was one hundred and sixty-five times smaller than British Columbia. When that was remembered, in conjunction with the largeness of the allowance granted to Premier Peters, there was no reason why he shouldn't have been willing "to grab his little \$70,000 and run." (Laughter.) Now Brunswick was given \$290,000 more per annum. The premier of that province, also, was anxious to get away from Ottawa. (Renewed laughter.) Quebec was granted an appropriation of \$600,000 per annum. When these figures were considered it was no wonder that they had found fault with the premier of British Columbia. (Laughter and applause.)

What the East Got
Taking up the question of the grant to Prince Edward Island the Premier referred to the conditions prevailing in that province. The majority of the farms, even those lying in the vicinity of Charlottetown, paid no taxes while those lying in the outlying portions of the province had to contribute to the exchequer. Was there any wonder, he asked, that he felt it imperative to endeavor to bring the easterners to a better realization of the importance of the conditions prevailing in the West.

British Columbia had paid \$15,000,000 more to the federal government than she had been returned. In other words the province had been "fined" that much for belonging to confederation. When the union of the provinces into the Dominion had been undertaken the people residing on the western Canadian coast, he said, were in a desperate condition. It was just after the collapse of the Cariboo and other gold excitement and everyone in the province had been anxious that their country should be included in the confederation in order to escape what might be termed "annihilation." While British Columbia wanted to belong to the union the federal authorities of that time had not shown any particular anxiety to grant their desire. Under such circumstances it was natural that the bargain made should be in favor of the latter. Shortly after confederation, when the Blake-Cartwright Liberal administration had control of the reins of government, they had discouraged in every way, the construction of the C. P. R. to the Pacific coast. They had called British Columbia a "sea of mountains" and stated that if the line was carried through this country, it would become but two "streaks of rust" and that the money expended might just as well be "cast into the waters of the Fraser river." The Conservative government, however, which had followed the former, had helped along the scheme of a transcontinental railway, and as a result, the C. P. R. had been built.

Railway Development

Now, the premier continued, another railway was under construction. It had been promised that the work would commence in British Columbia three years ago, but it had not yet started. The eastern Canadians were enjoying the fruits of the labor. In the course of time, doubtless, the Grand Trunk Pacific would pass through the northern section of the province. Then would be opened up new districts. For the new settlers would have to be provided schools, roads and police patrols. Where was the money coming from for these new works? The construction of a proper system of roads through the Skeena, the Bulkley and other northern interior sections would cost millions. Where was it to come from unless the financial assistance to which it was justly entitled. The taxpayers couldn't be burdened to any greater extent already. "Hear, hear." Some might say "derive your increased revenue from the new settlers." But that wouldn't be good policy. It would be "cruel and inhuman" to send a tax-collector among the settlers almost before they had time to get their land under cultivation. How was the problem going to be solved? The only fair way, in his opinion, was the granting of a substantial fund by the Dominion government in settlement of British Columbia's claims. The only method of obtaining that was by "standing to the guns." (Applause.)

Mining Industry Flourishing

As minister of mines, the speaker wished to say that that industry was never in a more flourishing condition in the history of British Columbia. The placer mines of the Oxineeca and Atlin were attracting widespread attention. The Guggenheims were pouring millions into the field in the development of these natural resources. The lode mining was in the same gratifying condition. He believed that the time was coming when the placer and lode mining of this country would become the centre of attraction throughout the mining world. (Applause.) The timber wealth, also, was being developed, the business generally was in a healthier and better condition than ever before in the history of the West. If there was a latent vein in him, doubtless, he would say "Sir Wilfrid Laurier." (Laughter.) "If just noted the presence of your representative, Mr. Evans, ladies and gentlemen, but I'm sure that even he would give the provincial government some sound financial policy."

The premier went on to say that the conditions, undoubtedly, were to be traced to the sound financial policy and "decent" government given by the present administration. (Enthusiastic applause.)

Speaking of immigration, Premier McBride told much the same story as the finance minister. Upon the school question, he stated that the new regulations gave the municipalities more direct control over their respective educational institutions.

In concluding, the premier spoke of

the possibility of an election and expressed the hope that the electors of the Cowichan district would return a Conservative candidate. He, however, finished the issue in their hands for judgment, finishing with the remark, "You are the jury—the verdict lies with you." (Rousing cheers.)

A vote of thanks to the chairman brought the proceedings to a close.

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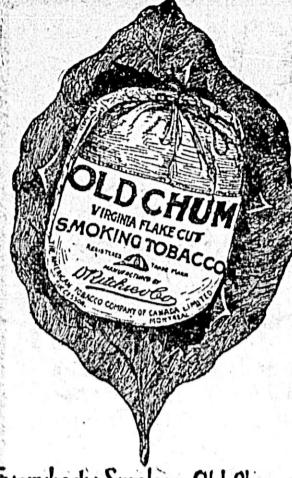
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Everybody Smokes Old Chum

BOER BAND ATTACKS CAPE COLONY POLICE

Raiders Surprise Camp, Wound
Two Men, Capture Officer
and Disappear

Capetown, South Africa, Nov. 11.—Several Boers entered the northwestern part of Cape Colony a few days ago and surprised a police camp in the vicinity of Wilkop.

Two troopers were wounded and a corporal captured.

Led by a man named Ferreira, the invaders marched to Modder, gaining some recruits through a story that an uprising in the Transvaal was imminent.

The colonial government has adopted strict measures to end the disorder.

Advices from the northwestern part of Cape Colony agree that the situation is decided grave, and that the natives who have never been in sympathy with the British plan of government, are flocking to the standard of a rebel chieftain called Ferreira.

It is noted our Sunday night that in the initial fighting at Wilkop forty Boers surprised the British police camp and drove off the local troopers. After wounding two of them and after taking the officer in command prisoner, the rebels managed to secure much camp equipment and a large number of rifles, together with plenty of ammunition.

Sunday they attacked a camp of loyals at Uppington, and fierce fighting followed that lasted two hours, when the police, finding themselves outnumbered, fled, carrying with them three badly wounded men. Whether or not loss was inflicted on the attacking party is not known.

Ferreira with his force, which is augmented hourly, is now in camp on a farm near Uppington, and is reported to be commanding horses from the farms. His plans to march toward Kimberley and then, if able to fight off the troops sent against him, to go on to Kimberley.

Three flying columns of colony troopers and police, in whose ranks are numbered many veterans of the Boer army, who have taken the oath of allegiance, are now marching to engage the rebels, and hard fighting is believed to be imminent.

It is conceded here that the loyal forces will have their work cut out for them in putting down the rebellion. For many months past the Boers have been disaffected at the attitude of the British colony toward them, and many have declared their intention of leaving British possessions and trying their luck in other parts of Africa.

Should the present uprising gain a few initial successes, it is a certainty that the discontented from all over British South Africa will gather to aid Ferreira, and if the latter can arm and equip all who come to him, he will soon have a decidedly formidable force on hand, which will necessitate the British sending regular troops into the field to oppose him.

The government officials here are holding frequent conferences and are hurrying all available men to the scene to aid in demolishing the rebel column.

Capetown, Nov. 12.—The colonial police force which is pursuing the insurgent party was within five miles of the raiders, but the scarcity of water and the sandy country renders the case difficult. The fugitives have gained several recruits.

London, Nov. 12.—The Boer raid in the northwestern part of Cape Colony occasions no anxiety in governmental circles. The parliamentary secretary of the colonial office informed the House of Commons that the government was taking all the necessary steps, and it did not think the assistance of the regular forces would be necessary.

The governor of German Southwest Africa had been requested to capture the raiders if they return to German territory, with the view of their extradition on the charge of murder and theft.

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tive Sanitarium

During the past week, a decided impetus has been given the movement looking to the securing of sufficient funds for the erection of a consumptive sanitarium in this province, the list of subscriptions being enlarged by the addition of goodly amounts; and the goal towards which Dr. C. J. Fagan is in view draws nearer in consequence every day.

At a well-attended business meeting of the Licensed Vintners' association, held yesterday evening, the question of making a subscription to the fund was brought up; and it was unanimously decided to appropriate the sum of \$100. Maloney, president of the Licensed Vintners' association, informed the Colonist last evening that he had been empowered to issue a check for that amount to the person duly authorized to receive the same.

Thus, Catterall also requests the Colonist to add his name to the list of subscribers, for the sum of \$25.

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Joseph Sayward 500.00
Weiler Bros. 500.00
Native Sons 50.00
A. C. Flumerfelt 500.00
Capt. Wm. Grant 100.00

SHADY BANK DEALS.

Former Chief Accountant of the Ontario Gives More Evidence.

Toronto, Nov. 12.—In the Ontario bank case today, W. J. Langton, former chief accountant of the bank, was examined. Langton testified that in 1901 a new issue of stock was made to shareholders at \$120 per share, each shareholder being privileged to take up one share of new stock for each share of old stock held by him. C. R. R. Cockburn, president of the bank, was in this way entitled to 238 shares of new stock. Cockburn borrowed some money necessary from the Yonge street branch of the bank by means of a call loan. In March, 1903, Cockburn sold his shares to the officers' guarantee fund of the bank, at profit on the allotment price of \$4,230. So far as Langton could say, there was no collateral offered for the loan made to Cockburn. Evidence was also given showing that some of the directors were aware that the bank was dealing in stocks.

UMBRIA'S SEALERS BACK ON SCHOONER

Were Lost in Woods at Hesquoit
for Two Days and Suffered
Hardships

William Poirier, Martin Douglas and George Haggerly, sealers of the schooner Umbria, who were lost at Hesquoit and believed by their friends to have been drowned in the lake, are safe, and on board the schooner at Clayquot. Capt. J. W. Peppett, owner of the Umbria received a telegram from Capt. Blackard at Clayquot a few days ago reporting the sealers lost in the woods, but no word to the fate of the missing men. The Colonist telephoned to its Clayquot correspondent on Saturday inquiring if the men had been found; but no word was received until yesterday morning when a message brought the news of the safety of the sealers. The Colonist correspondent at Clayquot, telephoning yesterday morning said:

"Seen today Martin Douglas, one of the lost sealers, said: 'We left the vessel for a hunt and made for the lake. After wandering around for some hours night overtook us, so we camped for the night under a tree, and a pretty rough night it was. Next day we started again, and, after wandering for some time, we discovered a deer. We had still the day before us, and we made a meal off its liver and kidneys. After starting again, we finally had to give up, and camped under a tree. Next morning, after wandering about some hours, we suddenly came to the beach and saw the schooner Libbie disappearing in the distance. We kept right on and at last came across an Indian who gave us something to eat; and then we got back to the same horse barrel again on board the schooner.'

The Umbria is still at Clayquot being held back by adverse winds.

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CHINESE SOLDIERS SLOW IN LEARNING

Are Not Yet Qualified to Range
Themselves Against Occi-
dental Troops

OBSERVERS TELL OF MANOEUVRES

First Battleship Launched From Jap-
anese Dock to Be Floated
Thursday at Yokohama

The steamer Empress of China, which arrived yesterday from the Orient, brought further news of the Chinese military manoeuvres in North China. Japanese correspondents are unanimous in stating that, while the operations showed distinct signs of progress, the Chinese troops are not yet qualified to range themselves against Occidental soldiers. The men are considered deficient in verve, the movements of the various bodies are not properly co-ordinated, and there is want of uniformity. The education of officers is considered especially defective.

The two armies marched at first around each other's flanks, and their encounter was consequently belated. Unlike the previous year's manoeuvres, there was no pre-arrangement. The northern army, under Viceroy Yuan Shih Kai, was defeated at first, one of its wings being broken and forced to retire. The southern army, under Viceroy Chang Chih Tung, then assumed the offensive, but was unable to dislodge Yuan's forces and exposed its own flank, when the northern army, taking advantage of the strategical blunder, recovered its lost ground and forced the southern army into a retreat.

New exhibits are being put in place every week. The latest is a display by Messrs. Thorpe & Co., soda water and syrup manufacturers. To Victorians as well as to strangers this very tasteful arrangement of their varied products is a revelation. Very few citizens had, probably, any idea that this enterprising firm turned out the number of lines that they display. They have on their stand about twenty varieties of mineral waters and from twelve to fifteen syrups, besides the famous St. Aliee mineral water, for which they are agents. The firm has a most enviable reputation for the quality of their goods, Thorpe's gingerale being universally known and appreciated, while their English stone ginger-beer is something entirely their own.

Messrs. Turner, Beeton & Co. are now fixing up an exhibit, and during the week other firms, including the Hinton Electric Co., F. R. Stewart & Co., Dickson & Howes, and the Sanitary Feather Co., are expected to have a attractive displays.

A caller at the rooms yesterday said that Victoria took the lead for its publicity and exhibition facilities in Western America, excepting only Los Angeles.

The troops engaged numbered 36,000. They marched past well and had a good appearance as to arms, horses, equipment and demeanor. It was noticed that the queues werecocked. Yuan Shih Kai's verdict was that there was want of uniformity in the armories; greater practice in musketry was needed and other improvements were necessary. The southern army was greatly inferior to the northern force in equipment.

Japanese newspapers received by the Express are filled with comment regarding the anti-Japanese demonstration at San Francisco. Some write very bitterly. The Nippon says: "The procedure at San Francisco is disgraceful from the point of view of American manhood. It is an echo of the cry of the unfit to be threatened with submergence in the struggle of life, they fall back upon weapons universally condemned by civilization."

The battleship Satsuma, 19,000 tons, will be launched at Yokosuka November 15. The Emperor will be present at the launching, and the occasion will be celebrated, this being the first battleship to take the water from a Japanese dock.

HEAVY SNOWFALLS.

Plattsburgh, N. Y., Nov. 12.—The Adirondack region is today covered with snow ranging from 8 to 14 inches in depth, as a result of a severe storm which prevailed last night and early this morning.

Malone, N. Y., Nov. 12.—Snow has been falling in northern New York for the past 24 hours and is about foot deep on the level.

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November Strawberries.—Miss Lange, of Douglas street, yesterday morning exhibited a plate of wild strawberries, bearing a number of green berries.

St. Barnabas' Social.—The social under the auspices of the ladies' societies of St. Barnabas' church will be held on Thursday evening next, at 8 o'clock. All friends are cordially invited to attend.

Bagged Many Deer.—Hunting parties who have paid visits to points up the E. & N. railway recently report meeting with good success. On Sunday night eighteen deer were brought down by the train.

Civil Service Exams.—This morning, commencing at 9 o'clock, Rev. Dr. Campbell will conduct examinations for all branches of the Dominion civic service. The sessions will be held in the council chamber in the city hall.

Labor Party.—On Thursday evening next, at Labor hall, Victoria branch No. 1, of the Canadian Labor party will hold its initial meeting, a charter having been granted by the provincial executive. All members are requested to attend, as a full organization will then be completed. Branch No. 2 will be opened as soon as a charter is sent to Vancouver.

Lecture This Evening.—It is expected that there will be a large attendance at the lecture to be given by A. J. Brace in the Victoria West Methodist church this (Tuesday) evening. Mr. Brace was with one of the Canadian contingents in the South African war, and his experiences make up a thrilling and interesting story. The lecture begins at 8 o'clock and during the evening some Boer war curios will be shown.

"Our English Cathedrals.—The second of the series of entertainments in St. John's Sunday school will take place this evening at 8 o'clock, when an address on "Our English Cathedrals" will be given by the Lord Bishop of Columbia, illustrated by magic lantern views. A short musical programme has also been arranged, and the Junior Guild hope to see their many friends present, as the entertainment is sure to be most enjoyable and instructive.

Chess Tournament.—At a special meeting of the Victoria Chess club on Saturday, it was decided to hold a tournament, in which all chess players should be invited to take part. A committee consisting of Messrs. Leeming, Lombard and the secretary was appointed for the preliminary arrangements; to issue circular invitations to all known players in this vicinity, etc., etc., and a committee to arrange the terms, details, etc., of the tournament, consisting of Messrs. Piper, Meyers and Wilkins, was also appointed. Mr. Lombard has donated a costly set of men and board, held by him in trust for Mr. Robins, on condition that no less than twenty boards are played.

Bagged Children's Fund.—The Ragged Children's Dinner Fund subscription list is open again at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, 40 Broad street. The fund is too well and favorably known to require comment. It is one of the worthiest Shaftesbury charities with King Edward as patron, and the Marquis of Northampton for president; its magnanimous object being a Christmas dinner for London's poor ragged children. It has been the custom for many years for Victoria citizens to assist this worthy cause. They did so last year to the extent of \$120. We hope to exceed that amount this year. The subscription list is now open at the Y. M. C. A., and donations will be thankfully received by the secretary and acknowledged through the press.

Attractive Dollar Corsets.—Of special interest among our new fall assortments are Crompton's No. 167. They give comfort and grace to every woman who wears them. Two pairs hose supporters attached. Price only \$1.00. Robinson's cash store.

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Interesting Subjects for Discussion by Local Council of Women

The regular monthly meeting of the Local Council of Women, held in the city hall yesterday afternoon, was a very busy one, and judging by the number of resolutions sent in by the affiliated societies, the twelfth annual meeting on the 10th and 11th of December promises to be equally busy.

The president, Mrs. R. S. Day, occupied the chair, and the following are some of the subjects which will engage the attention of members at the annual meeting: Maternity ward for Jubilee hospital; inspection of dairies and protection of bread and meat delivery throughout the city; the carrying of firearms by young boys; social purity; grass and weeds in the streets; domestic servants; procuring girls for immoral purposes; removing blinds and screens from saloons; closing of saloons outside city limits on Sunday; women as sanitary inspectors; patent medicines; the teaching of purity in the schools; sale of liquors on the fair grounds; a protest against cruelty to animals as witnessed at the fall fair; and a resolution heartily endorsing the work of the Anti-Tuberculosis society.

Dance Arranged.—A dance will be held in Victoria hall, Blanchard street, next Tuesday evening. It is being arranged by Mrs. Simpson, which is an assurance that the programme will be attractive, all those details so essential to a pleasant entertainment receiving attention. An enjoyable time is guaranteed.

TO SING BEFORE THE KING.

It is now definitely known that the North Staffordshire District Choral society is to sing before the King at Buckingham Palace in the late autumn, the exact date having yet to be fixed. This choir has made itself famous by carrying off four times the first prize in the chief choral competition at the Welsh National Eisteddfod at Merthyr, at Bangor, at Rhyl, and a few days ago at Carnarvon. The only other choir that has ever wrested the blue ribbon of the Eisteddfod from the Welsh also hails from the Potteries—namely, the Hanley Glee and Madrigal society, which this year secured third prize at Carnarvon.

The North Staffordshire Choir is made up of working-class people, and many of the members are in quite humble circumstances. The conductor, Mr. Whewall, who has trained the members to such a pitch of perfection, is himself drawn from the ranks of the workers. The combination had its inception in a small Sunday school choir, which Mr. Whewall trained at the mining village of Talke, Staffordshire. Since then many of the best voices in the district have rallied round him. Critics now declare that the singing of the Potteries choir is unsurpassed.

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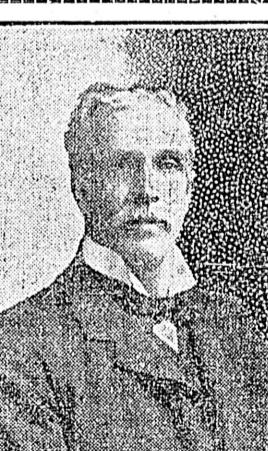
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time, and an immediate start will be
made towards filling in the area sur-
rounding the C. P. R. hotel. The city
is under contract to have this work
done before the hotel is complete; and
as it necessarily will take many weeks
before the mud will settle, it is abso-
lutely necessary that a start be made
at once.

The welcome news that the dredge
would come to the city was received by
Mayor Morley several days ago, but it
was only yesterday that he was able
to make it public. There is consider-
able filling in to be done—an average
of seven feet over the entire space—
and consequently it is expected that it
will take several weeks to complete the
work. It will very likely be several
days after the arrival of the dredge
before work will be commenced. The pipe
through which the mud will pass
under the causeway will have to be
repaired as the result of damage done
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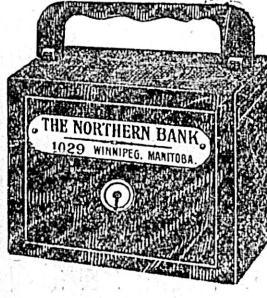
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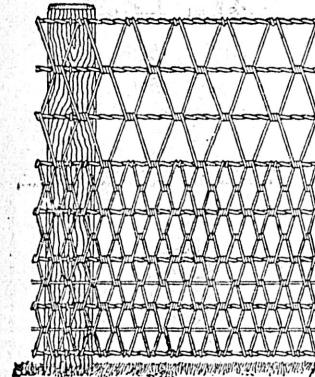
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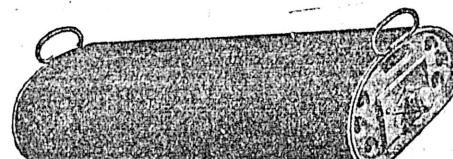
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JAPANESE DESTROY RUSSIAN CRUISERS

Reports Brought by the Empress Say Vladivostok Is Excited

VESSELS SAID TO HAVE BEEN SUNK

Story Is That Destroyer Met Silka and Kolima Off Copper Islands and Sent Russians to Bottom

R. M. S. Empress of China, which reached port yesterday afternoon, brought news from Japan that excitement was prevailing at Vladivostok two days prior to the sailing of the liner from Yokohama because of the reported current there that the Russian converted cruisers Silka and Kolima, sent to act as patrol boats at the Copper Island sealing grounds, had been sunk by a Japanese destroyer in the neighborhood of Copper Islands. Japanese vernacular newspapers publish despatches from Vladivostok telling of excitement occasioned at the Russian port in consequence of the report. The majority discredit the report, and the Japan Mail says: "There is no Japanese destroyer at the seal islands, nor has there been for many months. If a catastrophe has occurred it has probably been caused by collision with some of the mines which seem to be still floating about in those northern waters, inflicting injury chiefly after the occasion for it has ceased."

The Silka and Kolima are two of three Russian converted cruisers of high speed, sent to patrol the Copper Island sealing grounds this spring, in consequence of organized raids made last summer at these seal islands by the Japanese sealers from ports of Kokkaido, principally Hakodate. Last year six sealing schooners proceeded from Japan with the crews well equipped with rifles and small, quick-firing field guns. Landing with the field piece, a part of the organized crews of the Japanese sealers attacked the Russian guard maintained on the seal rookery, and a veritable guerilla war resulted, in which 21 Japanese, including the master of one of the schooners, were killed. A number of Russians were also killed by the raiders. Eight thousand dead seals were left on the beach when the raiders were ultimately driven from the rookery by the guard, which fought more strenuously than the invaders expected. Organized raids were also made during the previous season, when a number of Japanese and Russians were also killed. It was because of these raids that the Russian government sent the Silka and Kolima, with another vessel, to guard the rookeries of Copper Islands, and the majority of the Japanese sealing schooners, in consequence, went to Behring sea this season, instead of hunting near Copper Islands. Notwithstanding the presence of the Silka and Kolima, and her mate, however, some of the Japanese vessels again essayed raids, with the result that during this season no less than five Japanese sealing schooners were seized at the Copper Islands, and taken to Petropavlovsk, where the crews were imprisoned and the schooners confiscated.

One of the passengers of the Empress of China, a Yokohama merchant, who declined to permit his name to be used, in an interview with a Colonist reporter yesterday, said Baron Bruggen of Kamchatka Development company, which has a lease of the seal rookeries on Copper and Behring Islands from the Russian government, similar to the lease held by the Alaska Commercial company from the United States of the rookeries on the Pribilofos, is in Tokio endeavoring to have the Japanese government take steps to punish the seal raiders and put an end to organized raids being made from northern Japanese ports on the Copper Island rookeries. The Colonist's informant said Baron Bruggen was feeling despondent, the Japanese government, presumably taking advantage of the weak state of Russia at present, declining to take action; in fact, denying that such raids had taken place. The merchant from Japan also stated that no action was being taken by the government against the sealers who had returned to Japan after raiding the Seapanidi rookery on St. Paul Island, in Behring sea. The schooner Toyoi Maru No. 2, the principal raiding vessel, had returned to Akishi, in North Japan, and landed 192 skins taken from the United States rookery in Behring sea, also the body of one of the victims of the American guards, which had been carried in salt in the schooner's hold and surreptitiously landed. The master reported that his crew had been treacherously fired upon when landing for water; but this statement was known by the officials to be false. Until he left Japan by the Empress of China no action whatever, of punishment or remonstrance, had been taken by the Japanese government.

Baron Bruggen has collected considerable data of raids, poaching expeditions and various outrages of the Japanese adventurers on the Copper Islands. Robben Bank rookery—since taken possession of by Japan—and on the Kamchatka and Saghalien coast. One instance, of which evidence has been secured by Baron Bruggen, deals with the killing of a Russian sub-lieutenant and seventeen Russians by the crew of the Japanese schooner Putami Maru, in June last, on the Kamchatkan coast. The information secured by the agent of the Kamchatkan Development company is that the Japanese landed at the mouth of a river with salt and various equipment, and made a fishing camp. They proposed to operate in the river, and their catch was to be loaded on the Putami Maru, which was at anchor near the river mouth.

When the reports concerning the establishment of a fishing camp were made to the Russian officer at the nearest station, he went with a squad of men, nearly all unarmed, and started to question the Japanese. One Suzuki was acting as interpreter. When the Russian officer began to question him, the Japanese suddenly dragged a sword from its cover and stabbed the sub-lieutenant, killing him and a man standing immediately behind him. The Japanese, a score or more in number, then fell upon the Russians, and killed seventeen in all. One Japanese was killed. The others went on board the Putami Maru and immediately put to sea. When the affair was reported, a Russian boat gave chase, but failed to overhaul the Putami Maru.

Many other poaching affairs were also noted by Baron Bruggen, including a number at Copper Islands. The schooners Daifuku Maru and Toyoi Maru No. 3 attempted a raid there in July, with the result that both were seized by the converted cruiser Silka, which happened to return from a cruise opportunely. The Toyoi Maru No. 3 was seized when attempting to get away after slipping her

anchor, and the Daifuku Maru, which was in command of a Capt. Iwasa, remained at anchor, her master endeavoring to contend that he had put into the bay fronting the seal rookery for shelter from heavy weather. The schooner was also seized.

SIR WILFRID CRITICIZED.

London Saturday Review.

T. P. O'Connor addressed a meeting at Ottawa a few days ago on Home Rule for Ireland, and at the close of his speech Sir Wilfrid Laurier said: "I am a Home Ruler. There is no true Canadian who is not. The way to pave and accomplish Imperial unity is to grant Home Rule to Ireland." The prime minister of the Dominion, attached his support to the resolution by subscribing £10, to which the master meeting added £120. We are ignorant of what precise purpose this not very imposing sum was subscribed; the correspondent of the Times says it was taken up for the National Fund, which showed that it would fail to pay Mr. O'Connor's expenses. But we are surprised that so clever a man as Sir Wilfrid Laurier should not see the absurdity and impropriety of his position. The domestic politics of Great Britain do not bear any relation to the politics of the Dominion. Individual Canadians may, of course, think and say what they like about Home Rule, or the Education Bill, or the Trades Disputes Bill. Their opinions would not be regarded, because they cannot be organized into a party, but the public opinion of Canada, the mass of people, is in favor of Home Rule for Ireland. The first effect there for such a speech must be to excite irritation amongst the Scotch and Protestant population in the Dominion, and the Scotch are a most important factor in Canada. The Minto-Dundonald episode ought to have impressed upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The other consequences will surely be to breed bad blood quite naturally between Canada and half the British nation, and will bring the Union Jack into disrepute.

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And whereas this By-law may not be altered or repealed without the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council;

And whereas the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. It shall be lawful for the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria to purchase all that certain piece or parcel of land or lands situate in the said City of Victoria, being more particularly described as follows: Bounded on the north by the Hudson Bay Company's farm; on the south by the Cadboro Bay Road; and on the east by subdivision 5 (five) and on the west by subdivision 11 (eleven) of Section 28, Victoria District, and to provide funds for improving the agricultural exhibition building.

2. Whereas the whole amount required to be raised amounts to £1,000 for repaying the said debt and the interest thereon and for creating an annual sinking fund for paying the said debt within fifty years, the amount to have to pay is £2,327;

3. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the Corporation of the City of Victoria to borrow upon the credit of the said Corporation of the City of Victoria, from any person or persons, or body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the sum, or any sum not exceeding in the whole the sum of £50,000, the principal and interest on the same, at the rate of 4.86 2-3 dollars to the one pound sterling, and to cause all such sums so raised or received to be paid to the Corporation of the City of Victoria for the use of the Corporation for the purpose and with the object hereinbefore referred to.

3. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause any number of debentures to be made, executed and issued for such amount as may be required, not exceeding, however, the sum of £50,000, either in currency or sterling money at the rate of 4.86 2-3 dollars to the one pound sterling, and to cause the said debentures being of the amount of £50,000 currency or sterling money, at the rate of 4.86 2-3 dollars to the one pound sterling, and to cause the said debentures to be paid to the Corporation of the City of Victoria for the use of the Corporation for the purpose and with the object hereinbefore referred to.

4. The said debentures shall bear date of the day after the final passing of the By-law, and shall be payable in fifteen years from the said date at such place either in the Dominion of Canada, Great Britain or the United States of America as may be designated thereon, and shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of interest, the coupons to be payable at the interest rates so fixed or otherwise, and to be paid to the Corporation of the City of Victoria for the use of the Corporation for the purpose and with the object hereinbefore referred to.

5. The said debentures shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent per annum from the date of issue, which interest shall be paid quarterly, half yearly, or such other time as the Corporation of the City of Victoria, Great Britain or the United States of America, as may be expressed in the debentures and coupons, printed or lithographed.

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11. This By-law shall, before the final passing thereof, receive the assent of the Council of the said Corporation, in the manner provided for in the Municipal Clauses Act, and shall take effect on the day after the final passing thereof.

12. This By-law may be cited as the "Land Purchase and Loan By-law, 1906."

Passed the Municipal Council on the 1st day of November, 1906.

NOTICE.

Take notice that the above is a true copy of the property in the name of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, and will be taken at Room 9, in the Public Market Building, Cormorant Street, on Thursday the 15th day of November, 1906, that the polls will be kept open between the hours of 9 a. m. and 7 p. m. and that W. W. Northcott has been appointed Returning Officer to take the said vote.

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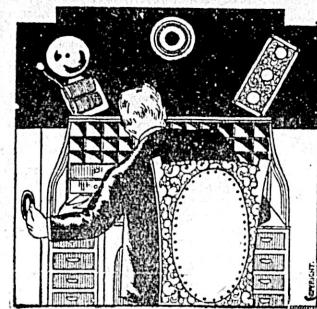
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THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., May 12.
SYNOPSIS.

An ocean disturbance has moved inland through the upper part of the province into Alberta, causing in its passage strong winds or gales on the outside waters, where a velocity of 72 miles from the southeast is reported from the mouth of the Columbia river. Rainfall has been general from Port Simpson to southern Oregon and Washington, and temperatures have been higher. East of the Rockies rain is falling in Alberta and Saskatchewan and the weather is unsettled and moderately cold.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	49	54
Vancouver	48	53
New Westminster	48	50
Kamloops	42	58
Barkerville	48	58
Port Simpson	32	58
Atlin	2	38
Edmonton	26	50
Calgary	26	50
Winnipeg	29	58
Portland, Ore.	54	64
San Francisco	58	72

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacifc time) for today:

Victoria and vicinity: Moderate or fresh southerly and westerly winds, partly cloudy with showers and stationary or higher temperature.

Lower Mainland: Southerly winds, chiefly cloudy with showers and not much change in temperature.

PERSONAL

D. M. Watters of Baker City is at the Dominion Hotel.

Judge Lampman has returned from a visit to his old home at Thorold, Ont. S. F. Aspin of Whitehorse is spending a few days in the city, a guest at the Victoria.

A. McQueen of Kamloops is down for a few days on business. He is registered at the Driard.

H. McKay of Duncan is in the city. K. McLaren of Atlin arrived from the North yesterday and is registered at the Victoria.

Mrs. Cameron, 242 Fort street, will receive on the second Thursday in each month.

Frank Hobbs of Port Renfrew is among those registered at the Driard Hotel.

Prince and Princess Cantacuzene of St. Petersburg are in the city. They came over from the Mainland last evening by the steamer Chamber.

Herbert Phipps and Mrs. Phipps were passengers on last night's Princess May to visit friends in Vancouver and New Westminster.

A. B. Erskine of Vancouver arrived from the Mainland last evening by the

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The Dominion.

K. S. Carlyle, Steel Souke; D. MacLellan, Vancouver; A. J. Hancock, Whistler; H. Bennett, Atlin; J. McPherson, Baddeck, Shagway; D. M. Walters, Baker City; Chas. De Long, Seattle; W. A. Lawes, Vancouver; Ernest Walker, Millside; R. S. Pike, Vancouver; C. Seymour Baker, London, Eng.; T. G. McCrae, Vancouver; G. C. Green, Vancouver; W. A. Shantz, Salt Lake, W. H. Tully, Dawson; J. T. Hunter, Dawson; A. Marler, Vancouver; John Kelly, Vancouver; John Blair, Vancouver; J. D. Spiers, Guelph; Geo. Wilson, Vancouver; C. Carne, Tod Inlet; B. Smith, Tod Inlet; C. G. Gandy, Tod Inlet; G. Smith, Gandy, Goldfield Creek; J. W. McClure, Stillwater; Frank V. Hobbs, Port Renfrew; Alex. Auchinleck, Ladysmith; F. Mitchell; J. Sinclair, Saanich; Mrs. Lewis and family, Vancouver; E. Thomas; J. Proctor; Capt. E. McPhee, Hartland; W. J. Potts, Potts; Webster, Kamloops; Mr. and Mrs. H. Macbeth and family, Meyta; A. G. Barker.

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